

# HOME TOWN HELPS

## AN OLD BOXWOOD BORDER

There Are Some Survivals of Beautiful Garden Ornaments Still to Be Found.

Time was when the boxwood border was considered the very top notch of frontyard garden ornamentation. And it was thought to be very beautiful when trimmed into fantastic shapes or clipped evenly in rectangular outline. Take almost any of the old time novels, and in them will appear a description of the boxwood borders running a perfectly straight line from the colonial porch to the front gate. Boxwood hall was a favorite name for many an old time home.

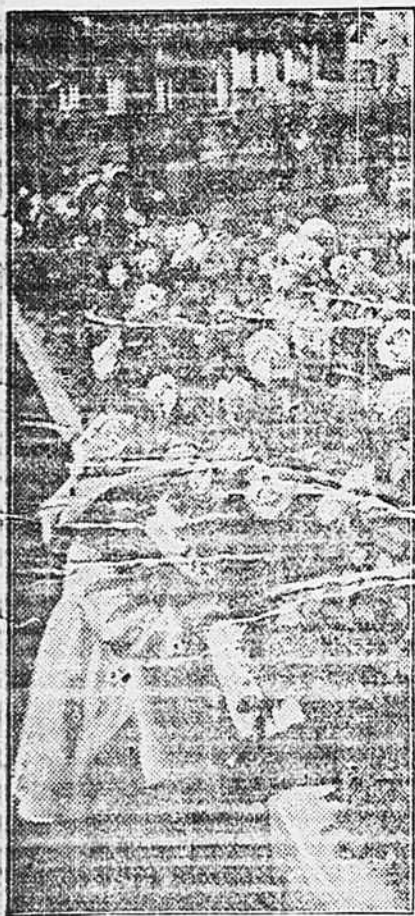
The privet hedge has largely usurped the place of the boxwood border, says the Newark (N. J.) News. The latter was such a slow grower. Years after it was out it seemed hardly larger than when first planted. But it didn't send out impudent shoots in every direction; it grew slowly, sedately and in deliberately chosen directions. It was never in a hurry to be big. Boys may cut whips from an untrimmed privet hedge, but no one ever took such liberties with the dignified old boxwood bush. It did not promote corporal punishment.

There were two things about the boxwood border that none who are acquainted with it will ever forget; its dark green foliage, winter and summer, and its persistently unpleasant odor. The latter isn't like that of birch, sassafras, sandalwood, willow, butternut or cedar. It is more like that of the simplocarpus fetidus—the skunk cabbage. But the box bush stands up as stiff and dignified as if it were disseminating the perfumes of Araby the blest.

Now and then some very fine specimens of boxwood are found in this country, and wherever they are they point out a place having a history running back a century or two. These bushes have not been clipped or otherwise mutilated since our grandfathers' days, and have grown into great trees—that is, great for boxwood. Just such a bush was recently sighted near Mount Holly by a Long Island millionaire, and he paid a small fortune to have it removed to his estate. It was 12 feet high, more than 15 feet in diameter and with a great clump of clay attached to its ramified roots, weighed ten tons. It may live in its new home, but as a rule, these grand old box bushes resent removals after they are a hundred years old.

A fine group of box bushes adorns the old Elias Boudinot mansion on East Jersey street, Elizabeth, where both Washington and Lafayette were entertained in the old days. Four large bushes are still flourishing on the Stouffer property, 353 Broad street, corner of Clay, in Newark. The house was built in 1832, and the box must have been planted later, but each of the four specimens is at least ten feet high and as many in diameter. Large sums have been offered for them time and again, but have been refused. Doubtless there are many other fine specimens of the old-time favorite box, but a large and shapely tree is still a valuable and cherished heritage.

## BEAUTIFUL ROSE HEDGE



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Matter Settled.

When the term of the old negro preacher had expired he arose and said:

"Breddren, de time am heah fo' de selection ob yo' paston fo' anudder yeah. All dose favorin' me fo' yo' paston will please say 'Aye.'"

The old preacher had made himself rather unpopular and there was no response.

"Eh," he said, "silence gibs consent allus. I's yo' paston fo' anudder yeah."

## BULLERTON'S WAY

ANONYMOUS.

Bullerton's father said: "It doesn't matter whether it's time for it now or not. He wants it now and he's going to keep on asking for it until he gets it. You might as well give it to him." So Bullerton got it.

One of Bullerton's earliest friends relates the following anecdote. Bullerton's father and mother were visiting his father and mother and Bullerton was along. At dinner Bullerton held up his plate and requested a second helping of pie.

"Why, Harvey!" exclaimed his mother. "You shouldn't ask for things. That's very naughty and impolite."

"They wouldn't know I wanted it if I didn't ask," said Bullerton.

That, Bullerton's boyhood friend said, was perfectly true, especially considering the size of the first helping and the extent of the meat courses that he had previously consumed.

It was a more commendable application of the principle when on leaving school he asked the president of the local bank for a position as assistant cashier. It is probable that he would have got the position if he could have demonstrated his fitness for it. Failing to do so, he asked for a job as office boy—and he got that.

Inside of two weeks it occurred to him that three dollars a week was an insufficient wage. He asked for five dollars and there again he proved the soundness of his policy. They gave him \$3.50 and promised him four dollars at the end of the month if he could show that he was worth it. But they got tired of being asked for raises after a while and let him go.

Then Bullerton went to the city and disappeared. As the years passed it became generally understood around the little town through the medium of his parents that Bullerton was doing well—getting on.

When he came back one summer on a visit his appearance seemed to bear out the report. He certainly looked prosperous. One of the envious fellows of the town said that Bullerton must have asked a tailor for credit and got it; but no one paid any attention to that slur on a rising young man.

When Bullerton had been home a week there was a meeting of the town council, at which he appeared and, on the part of the Bellevue Construction, Investment and Improvement company of New Jersey, asked for a franchise for an electric street railway. Nobody knew who or what the company was. Nobody seemed to care. The bank president who had given Bullerton his start in life was then president of the council. He was perfectly satisfied with Bullerton's vague assurance that the company was composed of men of unimpeachable financial standing, whose names Bullerton was not at liberty to mention, so the rest of the council were satisfied, too, and gave Bullerton what he asked for.

Then Bullerton asked for desk room in the bank. He asked for options on property along the proposed lines of the railroad. He asked for the assistance of the editor of the local paper. He got them all.

Soon he left for the city, having first disposed of his options at a ridiculous sacrifice to business men of the town who, with the assistance of the local paper, awoke to the almost assured fact that the town was on the eve of a great boom. Then the news came that the Bellevue Construction, Investment and Improvement company had sold its franchise to a great capitalist and prices of real estate went up. Shortly after that the capitalist visited the town and seemed somewhat disappointed. The railway is not built yet.

It would have been no surprise to the town after that to learn that Bullerton had married the daughter of a millionaire or had been appointed ambassador to Great Britain. The old people died in course of time, so there was no longer any news of him.

Finally one of the citizens of the town who had occasion to visit the city resolved to look him up. He did so—in financial circles more particularly. Strange to say, Bullerton seemed to be unknown. His name did not even appear in the city directory, so the citizen naturally concluded that his old townsman had sought a larger field for his activities.

He was on his way to the railway station to take the train home when a man in shabby clothes and with a week's growth of beard touched his arm.

"Pardon me," said this man. "You are a stranger to me and it may seem a liberty that I take, but I find myself in a pecuniary embarrassment and if you could favor me with the loan of 25 cents I should appreciate it."

There was something familiar in the voice. The citizen, looking more closely at the man, recognized Bullerton.

He said he was never more surprised in his life. But, after all, cheek is not everything.

Supposed It Had Settled.

"We think," wrote the manufacturers of printing machinery, "that it is about time you were paying some thing on the press you bought of us. It is now almost a year since you got it."

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27	17.46	30.50
28	17.92	31.08
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30	18.91	32.26
31	19.44	32.89
32	20.01	33.55
33	20.61	34.24
34	21.23	34.95
35	21.90	35.70
36	22.60	36.47
37	23.35	37.28
38	24.13	38.12
39	24.97	38.99
40	25.85	39.91
41	26.79	40.86
42	27.78	41.86
43	28.85	42.91
44	29.98	44.01
45	31.18	45.16
46	32.52	46.38
47	33.95	47.65
48	35.47	49.00
49	37.10	50.42
50	38.83	51.91
51	40.61	53.48
52	42.51	55.14
53	44.53	56.74
54	46.68	58.71
55	48.98	56.89
56	51.44	62.79
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